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(Situation Report Number 37)

1. No new information has been received that would change the basic conclusion reached in Special National Intelligence Estimate 98-67, SECURITY CONDITIONS IN URUGUAY, 23 March 1967, and those additional judgments set forth in paragraph 1 of our 10 April supplement to Situation Report number 33.
2. In Punta Del Este, internal security at the San Rafael Hotel during conference sessions has shown improvement. External security, however, tends to be nonexistent after the Presidents leave the building. Uruguayan police in the area have arrested a man who attempted to pass himself off as a valet to Uruguayan President Gestido; circumstances are not yet clear, but he is suspected of having Cuban intelligence connections.
3. Two relatively minor incidents of terrorism occurred in Montevideo yesterday. Molotov cocktails were thrown against the home of OAS Secretary General Mora, causing negligible damage, and against a US-owned factory building, breaking some windows. Further trouble at the university may have been avoided by an Uruguayan police decision to bar Chilean pro-Castroist politician Salvador Allende from appearing there last night.
4. The Communist Party of Uruguay evidently still hopes to bring out 10,000 participants in its final scheduled antiummit demonstration late today. A top party leader hopes that the police can be goaded into wounding or killing one or more demonstrators so that the Communists will have a martyr.

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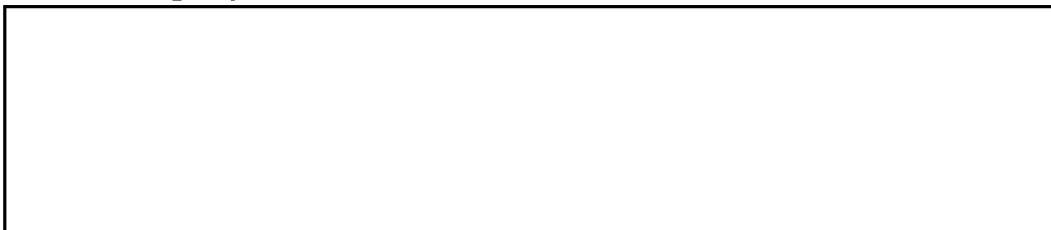
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The demonstration will take place in the evening, after President Johnson and most other visiting presidents--but not most foreign journalists--have left Uruguay.



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#### The Security Situation in Surinam

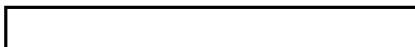
6. Security arrangements have been further refined and tasks more specifically assigned. The number of Dutch troops earmarked for perimeter security at Zanderij airport has been raised from 140 to 200. Capabilities in the identification and control of known or suspected subversives have also been increased.

7. US officials in Surinam will be in charge of overall coordination for the security arrangements connected with President Johnson's stopover. Name checks are being run on everyone entering Surinam and roadblocks are to be set up at the airport and the only road leading to it. All known or suspected subversives will be put under surveillance.

8. Airport security will include numerous fixed posts as well as foot and motor patrols. A crowd of 5,000 to 6,000 is expected, and the main security concern appears to be the proximity of the presidential aircraft to the crowd. Extra forces will be placed near the plane.

9. The native security services are fairly well able to perform their tasks, but there are some problems. For example, Surinam's borders can be easily penetrated, name-check files are not well ordered, and intraservice communications are not uniformly good. Only the local and district police and the Dutch Army have riot control capabilities. The former are considered adequate for handling any probable disturbance. In the improbable event of

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a riot of significant proportions, the Dutch Army would be called upon to help the police. Together, they could handle practically any conceivable situation. Surinamese officials are confident that their security plans are more than adequate; so far there is only one report of a possible demonstration at the airport on the Vietnam theme by the leftist Nationalistic Republic Party.

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